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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 18, 2003, said period of response being extended from September 18, 2003 to October 18, 2003.

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